

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph extending from page 3, line 19 to page 3, line 24 as follows:

Now, consider an instance where the clock of the first server is four minutes ~~ahead of~~ behind the clock of the second server. In this case, the event will live longer than expected in the second server. This will result in data integrity problems, because data may live longer than the relevancy of the data.

Please amend the paragraph extending from page 9, line 26 to page 10, line 4 as follows:

**Figure 3** is a block diagram illustrating an exemplary distributed caching environment in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Machine A ~~[[310]]~~ **310** and Machine B **320** are connected to network **302**, along with user 1 **304** and user 2 **306**. Machine A includes application server **312**, cache manager **314**, and cache storage **316**. Similarly, machine B includes application server **322**, cache manager **324**, and cache storage **326**.